

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., d/b/a IOWA TELECOM	DOCKET NO. SPU-02-18 (SPU-02-19)
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**ORDER ASSIGNING CASE TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE**

(Issued December 6, 2002)

On October 18, 2002, Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom (Iowa Telecom), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a petition for suspension or modification of long-term number portability in the Hartley, Primghar, and Paullina, Iowa, exchanges. The filing has been identified as Docket No. SPU-02-18. Also on October 18, 2002, Iowa Telecom filed a similar petition for suspension or modification of long-term number portability in the Coon Rapids, Iowa, exchange. The filing has been identified as Docket No. SPU-02-19. Since the dockets are so similar, the proceedings will be combined under Docket No. SPU-02-18 so as to conserve resources.

Pursuant to Iowa Code § 17A.11(1)"b" (2001) and 199 IAC 7.1(4), the Board will assign this matter to an administrative law judge (ALJ) for further proceedings. The ALJ will, among other things, set a hearing date, preside at hearing, and issue a proposed decision.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The two petitions for suspension or modification of long-term number portability filed on October 18, 2002, by Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom, are combined and docketed for investigation as Docket No. SPU-02-18.

2. Pursuant to Iowa Code § 17A.11(1)"b" and 199 IAC 7.1(4), this docket is assigned to the Board's administrative law judge, Amy Christensen, to conduct a hearing and issue a proposed decision. The administrative law judge shall have the authority provided under 199 IAC 7.1(4)"a" through "j."

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2002.